

BOND DEMAND HEALTHY AND STRONG

Issues Taken Up As Fast as They Reach Markets

By JOHN COLLINS

The bond market continues firm, reports the National City Bank of New York. Easy money and a continuance of general prosperity have been contributing factors.

"Any complaint of poor business among bond dealers," the report continues, "comes from inability to get good bonds to sell rather than from any lack of demand. The volume of new issues has been maintained at a relatively high level, but the requirements of investors were so much greater as to give the appearance of an actual shortage."

No Change Likely

"Until there is some change in the fundamental situation, such as substantial hardening of money rates, cessation of profitable corporate activity or reduction in employment, none of which as yet appear upon the horizon, there is little reason to expect any change in the bond market trend."

"The upward spurt in prices during the month seems rather to be a belated adjustment of bond prices to what now appears as a fairly permanent higher level."

"The one thing which above all others has enabled this country to absorb a gradually increasing volume of new securities each year is the widening character of the investment market. During the last several years, in fact since 1917, the number of new bond issues has increased tremendously."

Investors Numerous

"Men and women in all walks of life, many of whom formerly had looked upon bonds as only for the rich, are now themselves consistent investors. Several million persons in the United States today belong to the so-called investor class, as compared with less than 500,000 during pre-war days."

"In the last analysis, of course, these persons are able to invest because the new wealth resulting from general prosperity is being distributed more widely among our population than ever before."

QUAKE OFF NICARAGUA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (By U. P.).—A severe earthquake at sea was reported to the Navy Department today by the American steamer Eagle and the British steamer Magician in the Pacific Ocean off the Nicaraguan coast.

\$80,000,000 in Dividends Paid To Owners of Cities Service Common Stock

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Prev. Close	Stocks	Open	2.30	Chg.
141 1/4	Alli Ch	141 1/4	142 1/4	+ 1 1/4
51 1/2	Am Can	52	52 1/2	+ 1 1/2
133 3/4	Am Smelt	133 3/4	133 3/4	0
149	A T & T	149 1/4	149 1/4	+ 1/4
31 1/4	Am Wool	32	32	+ 1/4
47 1/2	Anaconda	47 3/4	47 3/4	+ 1/4
153 1/4	Atchison	153 1/4	154 1/4	+ 1 1/4
158	Bald Lo	158 1/4	161 1/4	+ 3 1/4
106	B & Ohio	105 3/4	105 3/4	- 1/4
47	Beth Stl	46 3/4	46 3/4	- 1/4
69 1/2	B M T	71	71 1/2	+ 1 1/2
160 1/2	C & Ohio	160 1/2	161 1/2	+ 1 1/2
68	C R I & P	68 3/4	68 3/4	+ 3/4
36 1/4	Chrysler	36 1/4	37 1/4	+ 1 1/4
111 1/4	Con Gas	111	111	- 1/4
49 1/2	Corn Prod	49 1/2	51	+ 1 1/2
23 1/4	Dodge Br	23 1/4	23 3/4	+ 3/4
163 1/2	Du Pont	163 1/4	164 1/4	+ 1 1/4
116 1/2	Fam Pla	116 1/2	116 1/2	0
24 1/2	Fed Mo T	24 1/2	24 1/2	0
49 1/4	Fleischm	49 1/4	50 1/4	+ 1 1/4
73	Fox F	73	73	0
32 1/4	Freeport	33 1/4	33 1/4	+ 1 1/4
88	Gen Asph	88 3/4	88 3/4	+ 3/4
87 1/2	Gen Elec	87 1/2	87 1/2	- 1/2
140	Gen Mot	141 1/4	141 1/4	+ 1 1/4
41 1/4	Goodrich	41 1/4	41 1/4	+ 1/4
46 1/4	Hud Mot	46	47 1/4	+ 1 1/4
48 1/4	I R T	49	49	+ 1/4
43 1/4	I C Eng	44	43 1/4	- 1/4
38 1/4	Int Nickel	39	39	+ 1/4
14 1/4	Jord Mot	14 1/4	16 1/4	+ 2 1/4
62 1/4	Ken Cop	62 3/4	62 3/4	+ 1/4
21	Lago Oil	21	21 1/4	+ 1/4
98	Mack Trk	98 1/4	100	+ 2
66 1/4	Mont Wrk	66 1/4	66 1/4	0
133 1/2	N Y Cent	134	134 1/4	+ 1/4
187	NYC & SL	187 1/4	187	- 1/4
42 1/4	NYNH & H	42 1/4	42 1/4	0
48 1/4	Nor Am	48 3/4	49	+ 1/4
63 1/4	P A P B	63 1/4	63 3/4	+ 1/4
56	P R R	56 1/4	56 1/4	+ 1/4
113 1/4	Pere Mrq	113 1/4	113 1/4	+ 1/4
23 1/4	P Arrow	23 1/4	23 1/4	+ 1/4
57 1/4	Radio Cor	58 1/4	58 1/4	+ 1/4
115 1/4	Reming	114 1/4	115	+ 1/4
101	St L S F	100 1/4	101 1/4	+ 1 1/4
47 1/4	Schulte	47 1/4	47 1/4	+ 1/4
38 1/4	S O N J	38 1/4	38 3/4	+ 1/4
54	Studebak	54 1/4	55 1/4	+ 1 1/4
50 1/4	T G Sul	50 1/4	50 1/4	- 1/4
80	U S Alc	80 1/4	81 1/4	+ 1 1/4
57	U S Rub	57 1/4	58	+ 1/4
146 1/4	U S Steel	147 1/4	148 1/4	+ 2
39	Wabash	39 1/4	39	- 1/4
43 1/4	Warn Pict	43 1/4	43 1/4	- 1/4
21 1/4	Willys Ov	21 1/4	21 1/4	- 1/4
189 1/2	Woolwor	190 1/4	191	+ 1 1/4

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Wall Street Says:

"It is evident that Marine pf. at present prices is still selling at a very attractive figure and may enjoy substantial appreciation in market value, if, as, and when negotiations are ultimately consummated."—Jacques Cohen, Baar, Cohen & Co.

"On reactions we favor the buying side."—Noyes & Jackson.

"We will probably have a traders' market for a while, as the public is inclined to do very little."—Hirsch, Lillenthal & Co.

"It is again evident that the line of least resistance is upward."—Reinhart & Bennet.

EMERGENCY STRIKE RULES REVOKED IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Dec. 2 (By U. P.).—Revocation of the emergency regulations under which Great Britain has been governed since the general strike of last May was announced, effective at midnight tonight, by Sir William Joynson-Hicks, home secretary, in the House of Commons today.

ROXY THEATRE

The new Roxy Theatre at 50th Street and 7th Avenue is nearing completion. The UNITS and Common Stock at present market prices are of unusual interest.

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Pig Woman May Be Slayer, Is Hint of Hall Lawyer

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murder night, the 'pig woman's' actions fail to give truth to her story in that respect.

"She comes back, feels for her moccasin, sees the woman crying there and goes home. She hears the voice of a screech-owl, discovers it is the cry of a woman in distress—and goes home."

"A woman kneeling—a woman sobbing—a woman in such great grief that her voice assumes an inhuman sound."

"She says she thought the woman had been assaulted by a negro. Instead of going to her, the 'pig woman' says 'It serves her right.'"

"Would you do it?" "She heard and saw these things on Thursday night. On Sunday she reads of the murders in the newspapers. She says nothing. Weeks go by before she talks."

Three Men in House

"In her house that night were three men. One was the man she called her husband. Another was a man who had trailed around with her for years."

"Where are those men? Why didn't the state bring them here? Oh, no. We have never seen them."

"Which are you going to believe—the story she tells now or the story she told Mr. Totten, Mr. David and Mr. Mason?"

"David has testified that she has told many divergent stories. He says she was unable to identify any of the defendants."

"Mason says she told him that she had been unable to identify them."

"Ex-Sheriff Conkling met her on the street near here. She told him that the Stevens family had nothing to do with the murders."

"I believe Siepel's testimony that Mrs. Gibson offered him money to corroborate her story."

Changed Her Story

"It is in the records of the preliminary hearing that what Mrs. Gibson charged to Henry Carpenter she now attributes to Henry Stevens."

"Mrs. Gibson said there was a full moon when she left the house that night."

"Prof. Duggan of Princeton University (an astronomer) has testified that the moon did not come out until a half hour later, and that then it was a crescent moon."

"Mrs. Gibson says her name is Easton. She bought her farm in that name. She says she married Easton in 1919, but she doesn't remember the church or the town she was married in."

"Then she remembered her boy was too old to be legitimate at that time and she changed her marriage year to 1900."

"She was out of whack with society! Her neighbors said she had a bad reputation for truth and veracity."

"The state brought in Dr. Cooper, her physician, who testified against her."

Case called Pfeiffer, sat him on a camp chair at the counsel table and told the jurors:—

"I am going to use Mr. Pfeiffer as a model. I like him better than Mr. Simpson's manikin."

"Dr. Hall was shot from behind as he sat there. Mrs. Mills, looking up, got the second shot. The other two bullets were fired as she sank back."

"It is the contention of the state that there was a fight for possession of a pistol and that Dr. Hall was shot during the struggle."

"That bullet was fired at more than a foot from Dr. Hall's head. Dr. Schultze admitted this possibility—the theory that Dr. Hall may have been seated while slain."

"That knife on Mrs. Mills's throat, gentlemen, was wielded by a person standing at the right."

Case then illustrated his concep-

tion of the throat slashing, bending to the floor as over a dead body.

No Signs of Struggle

The state has contended that a struggle preceded the murders. Such was the testimony of Mrs. Gibson. Case pointed out that Garrigan, the New Brunswick policeman called early to the scene, saw no signs of a struggle.

"This shows me," said Case, "that this couple were shot as they sat. There was no struggle. This proves to me that Mrs. Gibson should not be believed. Mrs. Gibson is a liar."

"I don't know why she tells her story. Probably because she got started in a small way and because of her publicity and her stories in the papers."

"Her untruthfulness may be due to that or because she has a guilty mind and this is the method she takes to absolve herself."

Mind May Be Affected

"There are indications in Mrs. Gibson's testimony that her mind is not normal. There has been some talk of cancer. If for some time a person has had such a disease as cancer it is entirely likely that some drug like opium was used. Opium makes dreams appear facts. Maybe her mind has become affected."

Case then referred to the limitations under which he labored under cross-examination of the "pig woman" because he did not wish to harm an ill woman.

The defense lawyer gave alleged repeated parts of Mrs. Gibson's testimony as evidence she was delirious as she testified.

"The wagon that rattled and rattled and rattled."

"The man kept going and going and going."

"I kept peeking, peeking, peeking."

"That woman kept screaming, screaming, screaming."

"I want to go way, way, way back."

"They were talking, talking, swearing, swearing."

Case, in the droning voice of the "pig woman," repeated these excerpts of Mrs. Gibson's testimony and then made this dramatic charge:—

"THIS CRIME MAY HAVE BEEN COMMITTED BY MRS. GIBSON HERSELF."

"Let us consider her familiarity with firearms. She testified she had a gun to scare thieves away."

Quick With Firearms

"She was quick with a firearm. 'I had shot off the gun on my farm lots of times,' she testified. It was when people did what they shouldn't do that she shot at them. She shot in the dead of night at those she didn't know."

"It isn't likely when she was following a thief (as on the murder night) that she went out without a gun with none of her men folks with her."

"She pursued that wagon. She says that at De Russeys Lane and Easton Avenue she saw two people in the light of an automobile."

"Who were those two people? We know there were two people. Who were they? The only two we know were Mr. Hall and Mrs. Mills."

"May it not have been Mr. Hall and Mrs. Mills that she saw. They may have been sitting in Buccleuch Park, and were just entering the lane."

Case then suggested that the two people, Mrs. Gibson described as Mrs. Hall and Willie Stevens might have been persons who were in the wagon she had followed from her farm.

"BEING THE WOMAN SHE IS, FILLED WITH THE PASSIONS SHE HAS, SHE SHOT THESE TWO, THINKING THEY WERE THE THIEVES, AND THEN SHE

GOT DOWN AND CUT THE WOMAN'S THROAT!"

Mrs. Gibson raced for home, Case cried, "like the furies of hell." "Why did she do that?" he stormed. "Run away on her mule?"

Case declared he did not attempt to prove the truth of his accusation against Mrs. Gibson, but added:—

"There is more in this suggestion I have made to you about this woman Gibson than there is against these three defendants here."

The defense lawyer then dropped his attack on Mrs. Gibson and turned to the defense of Henry Stevens. In an impassioned address he insisted the old-fashioned folk of the little fishing community were telling the truth when they swore that Henry was in Lavallette on the murder night.

"Let us not poke fun at these honest people," he urged.

Ruling Pedestrians Off Queens Bridge New Traffic Plan

By doing away entirely with pedestrian traffic on Queensboro Bridge, making it entirely a vehicular span,

Commissioner of Plant and Structures Goldman today presented to the Board of Estimate a plan which will increase the vehicle traffic 50 per cent., at a cost to the city of \$4,500,000.

This structure, which originally cost \$17,500,000, runs from 59th Street, Manhattan, to Long Island City, and is the big gateway for automobiles to and from all parts of Long Island.

It would be the first bridge erected by the municipality closed to pedestrians.

Commissioner Goldman's plan calls for moving the B. M. T. tracks from their present position to one side of the bridge, thereby increasing the traffic lanes for automobiles from six, as at present, to nine, which, he says, by doing away with the footpaths, will accommodate 50 per cent. more traffic.

"The congestion of traffic is due to the lack of proper approaches and exits in Manhattan and Queens," he said. "This plan will increase the number of approaches and exits from four to nine, will relieve congestion and permit operation of a greater number of vehicles to pass over the bridge without interruption."

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